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GLADIOLUS

WINTER BULB SALE

HAROLD B. HIGGINS

GLAD - ACRES

Preston, Maryland



Dear Friends,

Greetings for 1953!

To save on time, space and cost, we have trimmed our catalog down to the minimum of description and non-essential matter.

Our bulbs this year are of a fine quality that should do your garden proud.

We regret that, by accident, last year some diseased stock of Lavender Dream was sold. If you bought this variety from me and it was a failure, please write me your name, the number bought and the number of failures and, after checking your order, I shall replace the number you claim as failures. I sincerely hope that not many had any trouble with it. Some of this variety was also included in the Ideal Collections so the same applies to you who bought these collections.

Get your order in early this year so as to be more sure of getting what you really want.

Sincerely yours,

HAROLD B. HIGGINS.

PRICES

You will undoubtedly notice that our catalog has been worked out into three different price groups. All varieties in each group are the same price.

The price for each group can be found under the group title. These groupings are for your convenience in more rapidly locating varieties in the price range that you feel you can afford. All prices include Parcel Post except the Quantity Listing which is F. O. B., Preston, Maryland.

ORDER EARLY

Four Reasons Why

First Come First Served. The early buyer gets the pick of the bulbs. The largest bulbs are always selected first.

The Early Buyer is more apt to get the varieties he wants before they are sold out.

Early in the season when we have a large stock we usually put in more and better extras than we can later when our stock is low.

The Early planting is likely to give you better blooms than later plantings. So Please order early.

GUARANTEE

Satisfaction is the rightful expectation of every buyer of merchandise

We try to do more than satisfy. We want to please you so much that you will tell your friends of Glad-Acres. But, for you to be perfectly satisfied with the quality of your blooms, depends on your care, your soil, the location, and the weather. Please consider these conditions before planting and remember that it takes more than a good healthy bulb to produce A-1 blooms. They appreciate a little care and attention to really flourish. Every precaution is taken at Glad Acres to assure you of disease and thrip-free bulbs. To help you with your glads after you receive the bulbs from us we enclose with each order a sheet of cultural directions. If you follow these directions, you should be more than pleased with the result. However, due to so many conditions beyond our control, such as soil, water, the care they receive, etc., we can not guarantee the final result of either blooms or the bulb crop. We do guarantee each bulb to be true to name.

SHIPPING

All shipments will include complete cultural and planting directions. Orders will be acknowledged by card. Shipments will be made as soon as possible upon receipt except during extreme winter weather when shipment will depend on the weather and the destination, when a slight delay may be advisable. We will follow any shipping instructions that you may include with your order. All orders accepted subject to prior sale.

YOUR ORDER

In making your order please list several substitutes because we are always short of several varieties and sell out early in the season.

PLEASE make your remittance by check or money order. We can not be responsible for currency sent with order.

GIFTS

Any one of the collections will be appropriately wrapped as gifts for birthday, Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day or any other special occasion, to be sent to you, or the person and address that you direct. Please give directions for card and any other instructions that you wish executed.

DESCRIPTIVE LIST

ECONOMY GROUP

2	Bu	ıll	s \$
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5 bulbs \$.35

10 bulbs \$.60

VARIETY AND DESCRIPTION

ALGONQUIN (E)

Fine, large medium red.

BAGDAD (L)

Large, tall, smoky old rose.

BEACON (M)

Light rose scarlet with cream throat blotch.

BELTRAMI (M)

Smoky rose.

BERNICE (E)
Medium size "tangerine" yellow.

BLAZE (EM)

A blazing light red.

FIREFLY (M)

A scarlet red.

GARDENIA (EM)

Beautiful gardenia white. Medium height.

GOLDEN CHIMES (EM)

Tall, light yellow.

KING LEAR (M)

Tall, deep reddish purple.

PICARDY (M)

Large, clear, salmon pink.

REWI FALLU (M) Immense, dark blood red blooms. Med. height.

VAGABOND PRINCE (M)

Coppery bronze.

WHITE CAMELLIA (M)

Nice, medium size white.

SEEDLING No. 11 (E)

Dainty, ruffled pink of med. height.

ECONOMY COLLECTIONS

UNLABELED

A 40 Builds	(9)	eacn	OI 8	01	tne	apove	
varieties)							\$1.00
B 50 Bulbs	(10 €	each	of 5	of th	e ab	ove	

varieties)

C 100 Bulbs (20 each of 5 of the above varieties)

If sold out of the above varieties, we shall use varieties from more expensive groups.

The above collections may be had labeled for an additional 50c.

OUR CLUB PLAN

Church Organizations, Garden Clubs, Schools, etc. Send for our Profit-Sharing Plan. Many organizations have found our plan to be very profitable to them.

IDEAL GROUP

PRICES

2 bulbs \$.20

5 bulbs \$.45

10 bulbs \$.75

ADORATION (E)

Light pink with orchid flush. Cream throat.

AVALON (M)

Bright, rosy pink shading to cream throat.

BIG TOP (M)

Very large light pink. Small carmine feather.

BLACK OPAL (M)

Tall, dark glistening red.

BLOEMFONTAIN (EM)

Large, tall salmon buff.

CHAMOUNY (M)

Beautiful, cerise rose. Silver line on petal.

ETHEL CAVE COLE (EM)

Large, pure light pink. Flecking tendency.

FIREBRAND (M)

Tall, graceful, medium red. Darker throat.

HIGH FINANCE (L)

Smoky, light orange gray. Cream throat.

H. R. HANCOCK (EM)

Cerise-rose with large white throat. Med. height.

LADY JANE (M)

One of the best yellow creams.

LANTANA (E)

A beautiful orange with gold throat.

MAGNOLIA (M)

Large, soft, creamy rose. Medium tall.

MANSOER (EM)

Tall, large, deep blood red.

MAYLING (M)

Tall, light pink tinted lavender in throat.

NEW EUROPE (M)

Large, brilliant light red. One of the best.

OREGON GOLD (LM)

Tall, large ruffled light yellow.

PURPLE SUPREME (M)

Tall, medium purple with silver edge to petals.

SILENTIUM (EM)

Tall white blending to cream. Carmine feathering.

SILVER WINGS (M)

White sport of Picardy. Beautiful!

SNOW PRINCESS (E)

Large milky white with cream throat. Good commercial.

SPOTLIGHT (EM)

Sensational, clear medium yellow with small scarlet blotch.

TRUELOVE (E)

Beautiful shell pink. Medium height.

VULCAN (M)

Wonderful, tall straight purple.

WHITE GOLD (EM)

Very large, clear light cream. Tall and beautiful!

YANGTZE (EM)

Tall, deep yellow. Fine commercial.

YELLOW HERALD (M)

Tall, amber yellow.

ZUNI (M)

A fine smoky! Salmon and dark slate with orange feather.

IDEAL UNLABELED COLLECTION

Our most popular collection! Chosen from the above Ideal Group of tested varieties in a well-balanced color variety but not labeled.

Ideal Collection B—5 each of 10 varieties—

—50 Bulbs 2.75

IDEAL LABELED COLLECTION

Same as above but bagged separately and labeled for an additional fifty cents. Just ask for the Ideal Labeled Collection.

A—3 each of 10 varieties—30 Bulbs labeled \$2,25 B—5 each of 10 varieties—50 Bulbs labeled 3.00

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STANDARD GROUP

2 Bulbs \$.25

5 Bulbs \$.55

10 Bulbs \$1.00

ABIGAIL (E)

Clear light lavender. Medium height.

ATHLON (M)

Beautiful light pink. Medium height.

BLESSED DAMOSEL (M)

Beautiful, glowing, ruffled shell pink.

BOLERO (M)

Smoky orange with dark red blotch in center.

BOULOUGNE (M)

Deep wine red. Strong grower.

BURMA (M)

Gorgeous deep reddish rose. Heavily ruffled!

CARRARA (M)

Tall, strong, creamy white. Huge blooms!

CONVOY (M)

Very fine true purple. Large, ruffled bloom.

COVER GIRL (M)

Popular. Medium pink.

DAISEY MAE (M)

Beautiful, orange pink with cherry throat blotch. Striking!

DIEPPE (M)

Dark, salmon red with deeper blotch. Wonderful!

ELIZABETH, THE QUEEN (M)
Beautiful, clear lavender with darker throat lines.

FAIR LADY (EM)

Tall slightly ruffled white with cream throat.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE (M)

Tall, ruffled, heavy textured white. One of the best!

GENERAL EISENHOWER (L)

Huge blooms of brilliant begonia rose on tall spike.

GLAMIS (M)

Beautiful, ruffled, clear salmon rose with cream lip.

GOLDEN ARROW (M)

Tall, clear, light yellow.

HARMAU (E)

Huge, deep orange red with darker throat.

HARRY HOPKINS (M)

Clear, glossy rose red. A beauty!

HAWKEYE RED (M)

Brilliant red. Well liked and strong grower.

HOPMAN'S GLORY (M)

A really good medium yellow.

JOHAN VAN KONYNENBURG (M)

Rich, glowing scarlet orange.

JUNE BELLS (EM)

Nice, medium large white. Slightly ruffled.

KESTRAL (M)

Tall, straight, light salmon orange. Cream throat.

LANCASTER (M)

Beautiful, large, clear, reddish purple.

LAVENDER AND GOLD (E)

A dainty lavender with golden throat.

LAVENDER PRINCE (M)

Tall, ruffled, lavender mauve.

LEADING LADY (M)

Large cream white.

LIDICE (LM)

Tall, straight ruffled cream. Beautiful!

LILAC TIME (M)

Large, beautiful, lilac violet. A Holland variety.

LUCKY (M)

Medium lavender with cream throat.

MAJUBA (M)

Tall, medium dark red. Rich color.

MANCHU (M)

Brilliant yellow overlaid with a flush of pink. Vivid red blotch.

MARGARET BEATON (M)

Striking, tall white. Small orange-scarlet blotch.

OCTOBER SUNSHINE (M)

Glowing light orange shading to yellow throat. Very nice.

ORIENTAL PEARL (M)

Tall, strong, clear, giant cream. Beautiful!

OGARITA (M)

Very tall, rose salmon. A real winner.

PATRICIAN (M)

Large, clear lavender.

PARTHIENA (M)

Giant, deep lavender. Different!

PASTEL (LM)

Velvety, rose gray. A nice smoky.

PAUL REUBENS (M)

Tall, large-flowering, deep reddish violet. Eyecatching!

PHANTOM BEAUTY (M)

Beautiful, large pink.

PHARAOH (L)

Tall, large, heavy textured, glowing, pink salmon. Our origination.

PINK PICARDY (M)

Pink sport of Picardy but very similar to Picardy.

PINK RADIANCE (M)

An outstanding pink. Truly lovely!

PINK PARAGON (M)

Pure pink with white throat. Good all-around glad.

RAVEL (M)

Beautiful violet blue with reddish brown markings.

REGAL RED (EM)

Huge, strong, scarlet-red. Gorgeous!

SALMON'S GLORY (E)

Large, tall creamy white with large red blotch.

SIBONY (LM)

Rosy, heavily ruffled lavender. Nice!

SPIC AND SPAN (M)

Tall, ruffled deep pink. A newer variety and one of the best.

STOPLIGHT (M)

One of the very best medium reds. Florist' favorite.

SURFSIDE (LM)

A nice ruffled white with slight penciling on throat.

TUT'S BOTH (EM)

Large, showy, pastel orange with bluish purple tongue.

WHITE GODDESS (EM)

Tall, ruffled, creamy white. Very fine!

STANDARD UNLABELED COLLECTION

Our finest unlabeled collection consisting of a well balanced assortment selected from the Standard Group.

Standard Collection A-3 each of 10 varieties	
—30 Bulbs unlabeled\$2	25
Standard Collection B-5 each of 10 varieties	
-50 Bulbs unlabeled 3.	50
Standard Collection C-10 each of 10 varie-	
ties—100 Bulbs unlabeled 5.	50

STANDARD LABELED COLLECTION

Same as the Standard unlabeled collection except that each variety is bagged separately and labeled for an additional fifty cents. Just ask for Standard Labeled collection.

A-3 each of 10 varieti	es-30Bulbs labeled \$2.75
B-5 each of 10 varieti	ies-50 Bulbs labeled. 4.00
C-10 Bulbs each of 10	varieties—100 Bulbs
[†] Iabeled	6.00

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QUANTITY PRICES

NOT POSTPAID

25 or More at the 100 Rate, Large Size Only Shipped Express Collect

	Per	
ABIGAIL Early Lav.	100	6.00
ADORATION Flushed pink	100	6.00
ALGONQUIN	100	5.00
Old Scarlet BELTRAMI	100	5.00
Smoky BERNICE	100	5.00
Tangerine yel.		
BLAZE Old It. red	100	5.00
BLESSED DAMOSEL Fine Shell pink	100	6.00
BLOEMFONTEIN	100	6,00
Salmon BURMA	100	6.00
Rose red DIEPPE	100	6.00
Salmon red	100	0.00
ELIZABETH THE QUEEN Fine lavender	100	6.00
FIREFLY	100	5.00
Scarlet GARDENIA	100	5.00
White	100	0.00
GEN. EISENHOWER Begonia-red	100	6.00
GOLDEN CHIMES Ruffled Lt. yel.	100	5.00
HAWKEYE RED Med. red	100	6.00
JUNE BELLS White	100	6.00
JOHN VAN KONYNENBURG Med. red	100	6.00
KING LEAR	100	5.00
Reddish purple LADY JANE	100	6.00
Cream LAVENDER PRINCE	100	6.00
Lav. mauve LILAC TIME	100	6.00
Lavender	100	0.00
LUCKY Tall med. lav.	100	6.00
MANSOER	100	6.00
Deep blood red		

NEW EUROPE Light red	100	6.00
OCT. SUNSHINE Glowing orange	100	6.00
ORIENTAL PEARL Tall cream	100	6.00
PAUL RUEBENS Violet	100	6.00
PHARAOH* Tall Salmon	100	6.00
REGAL RED Big scarlet	100	6.00
SNOW PRINCESS White	100	5.00
SPOTLIGHT Yel., blotch	100	6.00
TOTS BOTH Orange Salmon	100	5.00
WHITE GOLD Tall cream	100	6.00

PHARAOH*

A Glad Acres origination that has met with outstanding popularity with the home gardener as well as with the commercial grower and florist. A tall robust grower that resists heat and drought also resistant to many of the glad diseases. Seven blooms open on a 5-6 ft. 19 bud nearly always straight spike. Color is a glowing pink salmon with a cream yellow throat and midribs. Now that the price is down in the standard group it should find a ready market among those growers who demand first quality blooms for their wholesale or retail trade and it will pay any grower to get a good start on this variety. It's a wonderful propagator and bulblets germinate easily.

ALL QUOTATIONS SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE Terms F.O.B. Preston, Maryland. Cash with order

FALL AND WINTER GLAD BULB SALE

All orders received during November, December, and January are subject to the following fall and winter discounts.

Named varieties, November 20%, December 15%, January 10%.
Collections, November 15%, December 10%, January 5%.

Several varieties listed in 1953 catalog are being discontinued and are completely out of stock and as the sale applies only to varieties in stock we suggest that you list several substitutions.

As a further inducement we are offering the following bonus of free bulbs. With each order of \$5.00 or more twelve bulbs free of either Pharaoh, Elizabeth the Queen or Snow Princess. With each order of \$10.00 or more an Ideal Collection of thirty bulbs free. With each order of \$15.00, both the twelve group and the Ideal Collection. A \$20.00 order gets the same bonus of the fifteen dollar order plus three bulbs of our 1954 introduction that will retail for a dollar a bulb. A \$25.00 order will include as a bonus a one hundred bulb collection plus the three bulbs of new introduction, Pharaoh's Queen.

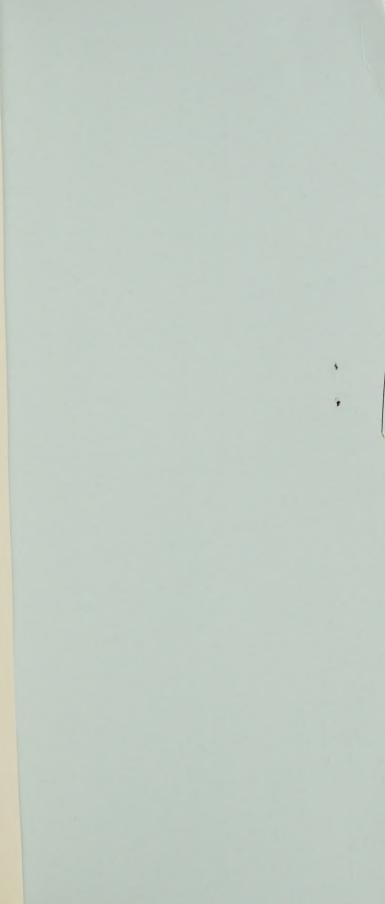
This bonus applies to the quantity prices but will be shipped express collect.

REMEMBER --- Glad bulbs for Christmas-- a wonderful gift.

1954 catalog will be out sometime in February.

Orders accepted immediately, but will not be filled until December 15th (weather permitting) or as directed in order.

HAROLD B. HIGGINS *Glad Acres*Preston, Maryland



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